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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OVIP (VANCE, CYRUS)
SUBJECT: VISIT OF SECRETARY VANCE TO BEIRUT, FEBRUARY 18, 1977 -
SCENARIO

REF: (A) STATE 18236, (B) BEIRUT 480

1. EVENT 1: ARRIVAL BEIRUT.

1115 - 86972 TOUCHES DOWN AT BEIRUT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT THEN
TAXIS TO SPOT IN FRONT OF MEA ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING - HANGAR
COMPLEX.

1120 - 86972 SPOTTED. SECRETARY VANCE AND OFFICIAL PARTY DISEMBARK
FROM FORWARD RAMP. THE SECRETARY IS MET AT THE FOOT OF THE RAMP.
THE SECRETARY IS MET AT THE FOOT OF THE RAMP BY GOL FOREIGN MIN-
ISTER FUAD BOUTROS AND CHIEF OF PROTOCOL ABBAS HAMIEH, AMBASSADOR
PARKER, AND DCM LANE.

1125 - AFTER BRIEF INTRODUCTIONS, SECRETARY VANCE AND PARTY
IMMEDIATELY DEPART BY MOTORCADE FOR TRIP TO BAABDA PALACE.
STAFF/PRESS NOTE: STAFF AND TRAVELING PRESS DISEMBARK FROM REAR
RAMP AND PROCEED IMMEDIATELY TO STAFF CARS AND PRESS BUS.
EMBASSY OFFICER WILL ASSIST.
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1130 - MOTORCADE DEPARTS BIA FOR BAABDA PALACE.
TRIP TIME: (W/ESCORT) 15 MINUTES. PRESS STATEMENT: AN ARRIVAL
STATEMENT WILL BEDISTRIBUTED TO THE PRESS, BUT THERE WILL BE NO
REPEAT NO MEETING WITH THE PRESS. (PROPOSED DRAFT BY SEPTTEL.)

2. EVENT 2: MOTORCADE TO BAABDA PALACE.

1130 - MOTORCADE DEPARTS BIA FOR BAABDA PALACE.

MOTORCADE ASSIGNMENTS:

- 1) PILOT CAR: GOL SECURITY
- 2) GOL PROTOCOL LIMO: CHIEF OF PROTOCOL HAMIEH/DCM/POLOFF MOLINEAUZ.
- 3) LEAD CAR: RSO O'BRIEN/EMBASSY SECRETARY.
- 4) #LIMOUSINE: SECRETARY VANCE/FONMIN BOUTROS/ AMB PARKER/SY AGENT.
- 5) FOLLOW CAR NO. 1: SY SECURITY TEAM.
- 6) #OFFICIAL PARTY CAR NO. 1: UNDER SECRETARY HABIB, ASST SECRETARY ATHERTON.
- 7) #OFFICIAL PARTY CAR NO. 2: HAROLD H. SAUNDERS, HODDING CARTER III.
- 8) #OFFICIAL PARTY CAR NO. 3: 2. ANTHONY LAKE, WILLIAM B. QUANDT.
- 9) FOLLOW CAR NO. 2: EMBASSY SECURITY
- 10) STAFF CAR NO. 1: (LIMOUSINE) PETER TARNOFF, DANIEL SPIEGEL, JAMES MORAN, LEO J. REDDY.
- 11) STAFF CAR NO. 2: DR. WILLIAM M. WATSON, ELVA MORGAN.
- 12) STAFF CAR NO. 3: JEANETTE N. PORPORA, GAHL HODGES.
- 13) STAFF CAR NO. 4: HELEN KAMER, MARJORIE SOLTIS, EDWARD G. ABBINGTON
- 14 PRESS BUS: TRAVELING PRESS.
- 15) FOLLOW CAR NO. 3: EMBASSY SECURITY.
- 16) TAIL CAR: GOL SECURITY.

NOTE: THE SECRETARY'S LIMO AND OFFICIAL PARTY CARS 1-3 ARE CONFIDENTIAL

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ARMORED VEHICLES. OCCUPANTS ARE ACCOMPANIED BY ARMED EMBASSY DRIVER AND BODYGUARD.

STAFF/PRESS NOTE: AT BAABDA PALACE/YARZE FORK FOLLOW CAR NO. 2 WILL TAKE LEFT HAND FORK, LEADING SUPPORT STAFF AND TRAVELING PRESS (VEHICLES 9-16 TO AMERICAN EMBASSY RESIDENCE YARZE. TRAVEL TIME IS TWO MINUTES FROM THE FORK.

1145 - SECRETARY'S MOTORCADE ARRIVES AT BAABDA PALACE.

1145 - SUPPORT STAFF/TRAVELING PRESS ARRIVE AT YARZE RESIDENCE.

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3. EVENT 3-A: MEETING/LUNCHEON AT BAABDA PALACE.

1145 - UPON ARRIVAL AT BAABDA PALACE, SECRETARY VANCE,
OFFICIAL PARTY AND FOREIGN MINISTER BOUTROS ARE MET BY CHIEF OF
PROTOCOL HAMIEH AT THE ENTRANCE AND ESCORTED TO THE SALON
D'HONEUR. AFTER INTRODUCTIONS AND EXCHANGE OF GREETINGS,
SECRETARY VANCE AND PARTY ARE SHOWN TO THE CONFERENCE ROOM FOR
A PLENARY SESSION.

1150 - PLENARY SESSION PARTICIPANTS:

US: ENTIRE OFFICIAL PARTY, AMBASSADOR, DCM.
GOL: FONMIN BOUTROS AND SEVERAL OTHER FONMIN OFFICIALS INCLUDING
SECGEN NAGIB DAHDAH AND DIR OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS ADEL ISMAEL,
MR. KHALIL HADDAD.

1215 - MEETING WITH PRESIDENT. FOREIGN MINISTER BOUTROS,
SECRETARY VANCE AND US AMBASSADOR WITHDRAW FROM PLENARY
MEETING (WHICH CONTINUES) AND PROCEED TO MEETING WITH PRESIDENT
SARKIS.

PARTICIPANTS:

US: SECRETARY VANCE, AMB PARKER, INTERPRETER TOUMAYAN
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GOL: PRESIDENT ELIAS SARKIS, PRIMIN SALIM AL-HOSS, FONMIN FUAD
BOUTROS

1315 - LUNCHEON: BOTH US GROUPS JOIN FOR LUNCH.

LUNCHEON GUESTS: US: ENTIRE OFFICIAL PARTY, AMB PARKER, DCM LANE,
POL OFF MOLINEAUX.

GOL: PRES SARKIS, PRIMIN HOSS, FORMIN BOUTROS, CHIEF OF PROTOCOL HAMIEH, DIRGEN OF PRESIDENCY CARLOS KHOURY (PLUS PERHAPS 2 OTHER OFFICIALS OF PRESIDENCY).

1415 - LUNCHEON ENDS. THE SECRETARY AND PARTY PREPARE TO TAKE THEIR LEAVE IMMEDIATELY AT THE CONCLUSION OF LUNCH.

1420 - SECRETARY VANCE TAKES HIS LEAVE OF PRESIDENT SARKIS.

1425 - SECRETARY AND PARTY BOARD MOTORCADE FOR RETURN TRIP TO BIA.

1430 - DEPART BAABDA FOR BIA. TRAVEL TIME: 15 MINUTES. SECRETARY'S MOTORCADE: SAME AS ON ARRIVAL, EXCEPT FOR SUPPORT STAFF VEHICLES AND PRESS BUS. DEPARTURE STATEMENT DISTRIBUTED TO PRESS FOLLOWING DEPARTURE (PROPOSED TEXT FOLLOWS SEPTTEL).

4. EVENT 3-B: SUPPORT STAFF/TRAVELING PRESS LUNCHEON - YARZE RESIDENCE.

1145 - ARRIVE AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE AT YARZE. AT PRESENT THE RESIDENCE IS UNOCCUPIED AND SPARSELY FURNISHED. NONETHELESS, GUESTS WILL BE MADE COMFORTABLE.

NOTE: IF THE WEATHER IS CLEAR, PLEASE BRING YOUR CAMERAS WITH WIDE ANGLE AND/OR TELEPHOTO LENSES AS THE VIEW FROM THE PATIO OFFERS SOME SPECTACULAR PHOTOGRAPHIC OPPORTUNITIES.

NOTE: LOCAL BEIRUT OFFICES OF THOSE PRESS ORGANIZATIONS REPRESENTED ON SECRETARY'S TRAVELING PRESS GROUP WILL BE INVITED BY CONFIDENTIAL

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EMBASSY TO PAY CALLS AT YARZE ON THEIR COLLEAGUES.

1200 - DRINKS SERVED.

1230 - BUFFET LUNCHEON.

1345 - LUNCHEON ENDS. STAFF AND TRAVELING PRESS PREPARE TO DEPART RESIDENCE FOR BIA.

1355 - BOARD MOTORCADE.

1400 - DEPART RESIDENCE FOR BIA. TRAVEL TIME 15 MINUTES. MOTORCADE: SAME AS ON ARRIVAL (VEHICLES 9-16).

1420 - ARRIVE BIA.

1425 - SUPPORT STAFF AND TRAVELING PRESS IMMEDIATELY BOARD AIRCRAFT AND AWAIT SECRETARY'S ARRIVAL.

5. EVENT 4: DEPART BAABDA PALACE FOR BIA.

1430 - SECRETARY'S MOTORCADE DEPARTS BAABDA PALACE FOR BIA. MOTORCADE: SAME AS ON ARRIVAL, LESS SUPPORT STAFF AND PRESS (VEHICLES 1-8, PLUS ONE GOL SECURITY VEHICLE).

1445 - MOTORCADE ARRIVES BIA.

6. EVENT 5: DEPART BEIRUT FOR NEXT STOP.

1445 - SECRETARY ARRIVES AT PLANE SIDE, DISEMBARKS FROM MOTOR-
CADE AND SAYS GOOD-BY TO LEBANESE HOSTS.

1450 - SECRETARY AND PARTY BOARD AIRCRAFT.

1500 - WHEELS UP.

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